

Park Street Property

Herrick Archives Number H 206

A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

1. Name

Generally referred to in OSU documents as "Park Street Property" or "Park Street Building."

The name "Starling-Ohio Medical College" may be the key to some sources, since this college gave the property to OSU. However, the Starling-Ohio Medical College also gave the University the State Street property (Building H 210).

The property was sold by OSU to the White Cross Hospital Association, and this name might be the clue to some source material.

2. Location

2. 1 On the east side of Park Street, opposite Goodale Park, between Lincoln (now vacated) and Buttles. Included Lot 14, except a 3 foot strip across the north side; Lot 15; and a 2 foot 4-inch strip across the north side of Lot 16 of "Lincoln Goodale's Executor's Subdivision of part of Reserve Number Eight (8) of Lincoln Goodale's Addition to the City of Columbus. Ohio. . . ." (Deed Book, Vol. 579, page 237)

2. 2 The northwest corner of the property was 112. 66 feet south of Buttles Avenue, and the frontage extended southward 93.65 feet from that corner. The lots extended eastward 176 feet to Wall Street. (Auditor's Plat Book. E20)

2. 3 The 1915 City Directory lists "Medical College of Ohio State University" at 708 North Park; 1924 Directory lists "College of Dentistry OSU" at 710 North Park.

3. General Description

3.1 Photographs indicate that the property consisted of three connected structures. The two at the north end of the group were of dark brick, presumably red; the third of light brick. All were four stories high.

3. 2 No data as to size have been encountered. The Business Office report for 1914-15 lists an item of \$80, 088 for the "Park Street Building." An additional expenditure in 1915-16 brought the total to \$82,083.00. Beginning in 1919-20, this figure of \$82,083.00 is shown for "Park Street Buildings (three)."

The property was sold in 1924 for \$60,000. A better indication of size can be gained from photographs.

B. SIGNIFICANT DATES

1. Since construction preceded acquisition by the University, original records are not in OSU files, Business Office reports typically list "Park Street Buildings (three) 1892-1896-1899."

2. The sales contract under which OSU acquired the property was dated March 19, 1914 (T 3/19/14), Title was transferred by warranty deed dated October 23, 1914 (Deed Book, Vol 579, page 237).

3. The property was sold to the Board of Trustees of the White Cross Hospital Association of Ohio (formerly

know as the Protestant Hospital Association of Columbus, Ohio) in 1924. Title was conveyed by the Governor's deed dated December 31, 1924 (Deed Book, Vol. 789, page 606)

4. After its sale by the University, the property was operated as White Cross Hospital until April 1961. The buildings were demolished in August 1970.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

1. This property was purchased by the Starling-Ohio Medical College from the Ohio Medical University in 1907 (Deed Book, Vol. 456, page 513), and was in turn sold to The Ohio State University.

2. The Board of Trustees on June 37, 1914 decided to establish colleges of medicine and dentistry and accepted from the Starling-Ohio Medical College the Park Street property (H 209) and the State Street property (H 210) (T). The College of Medicine and the College of Dentistry operated at the Park Street address until they moved to the campus in 1924-25 (R 1924-25: 12).

3. The author has some uncertainty about title to the Protestant Hospital property. It is included in an undated and unsigned list of property to be transferred to OSU. See Thompson papers in Archives Box 3/e/25. Since it was operated by the Protestant Hospital Association rather than the University, time has not been taken to investigate the title thoroughly.

The Protestant Hospital under a 1907 lease had the use of certain rooms in the University buildings. (Miscellaneous Records, County Auditor, Vol. 6, p. 410)

D. COST

1. The property was given to the University under an agreement whereby the University would establish colleges of medicine and dentistry (Hooper; 104).

2. Values carried on the books of the University are noted in Item A-3 above. No other cost data have been noted.

E. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photoarchives:

X 7649--the building at the right side of the photograph and set back farther from the street was the Protestant Hospital, which adjoined the University property on the south.

X 20914

2. Other:

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